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DENMARK.

Danish West Indies quarantine against Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, on account of plague.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 29, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that, under date of the 11th instant, the minister of the United States to Denmark reports that, on account of the appearance of yellow fever at Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, the government of the Danish West Indies has declared a five days' quarantine against all vessels coming from that port.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

ENGLAND.

Report from London—Smallpox in Newcastle, Bradford, and Glasgow.

LONDON, ENGLAND, *January 23, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended January 19, 1901:

During the week I have visited Newcastle-on Tyne and Hull, in obedience to Bureau orders, and the reports of these visits form separate communications.

There were in Newcastle at the time of my visit 6 cases of smallpox, but the cases were in no way connected with the shipping. There are also some scattering cases of smallpox at Bradford and vicinity.

The consul at Glasgow informs me that there were on Monday, the 21st instant, 203 cases of smallpox in the hospital in that city. There has been a considerable number of cases of smallpox in Glasgow for many months, but this is a very marked increase in the number of cases. However, as Glasgow is a well vaccinated city, and the sanitary authorities most active, I do not anticipate any great spread of the disease.

The health of the British Isles is otherwise satisfactory.

Respectfully,

A. R. THOMAS,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

History of plague on the steamship Friary at Hull.

LONDON, ENGLAND, *January 22, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report concerning the plague among the crew of the steamship *Friary* at Hull:

The history of the last voyage of this vessel is briefly that she cleared from Cardiff November 17 for Alexandria, Egypt, where she took on a cargo of cotton seed. She left that port December 22, touching at Algiers December 30, and reached Hull January 10. January 8, a Greek sailor became ill and died just before the vessel reached port. The port sanitary officers visited the vessel and, after a careful examination of the body and from the history of the case, decided that he had died from "natural causes" and allowed the vessel to proceed to dock. It was thought at the time that the man had died from influenza. Saturday, January 12, 2 sailors were ill and applied to the port sanitary officers for treatment, and they were also treated for influenza. One